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SUBJECT:

LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOOD POLICY NUTRITION GUIDELINES

AMENDMENT REPORT

This is to provide you with an update on the February 17, 2009 Board motion by Supervisor Antonovich directing the Director of Public Health (DPH) to amend the Los Angeles County Food Policy nutrition guidelines to conform to the State's nutrition guidelines as defined in Senate Bill 12 and Senate Bill 965.

Following the adoption of the motion, DPH submitted draft Food Policy language including the amended nutrition guidelines to the Chief Executive Office Real Estate Division and the Department of Parks and Recreation. Both of these departments will release vending machine Requests for Proposals (RFP) in the next several months and will include the food policy language in their respective RFP. DPH will continue to work closely with both departments to finalize the food policy language in the RFP.

DPH is also updating the Food Policy promotional toolbox to reflect the amended nutrition guidelines. The updates will include a revised Food Policy website, an updated list of compliant vending machine products, and revised Food Policy fact sheets.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

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